

TOWN/UNIVERSITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE  
Tuesday, August 13, 2013  
Audrey Beck Municipal Building, Council Chambers

**Minutes**

**Present:** J. Armstrong, M. Hart, M. Kirk, E. Paterson, C. Paulhus

**Staff:** M. Capriola (*Town*), van Zelm (*MDP*)

**1. Call To Order**

Meeting was called to order at 4:05 pm.

**2. June 11, 2013 Meeting Minutes**

This item was tabled to a future meeting due to a lack of a quorum.

**3. Updates:**

a. *Mansfield Downtown Partnership*: van Zelm provided updates on apartment rental and commercial leasing and public infrastructure projects. The 10<sup>th</sup> annual Festival on the Green will be held in September. Recently the Town/MDP was awarded a \$500,000 grant to fund lighting, trees, and other landscaping for the Town square.

b. *MCCP*: Armstrong provided an update. Carriage House has changed property managers. Sgt. Cournoyer and Armstrong have had planning meetings with the managers at Carriage House. Carriage House will implement a guest policy. The MCCP fall off-campus visits will kick-off at Carriage House. Apartment move-in weekend is August 16<sup>th</sup> and on-campus move-in weekend is August 23-25<sup>th</sup>. Doug Kaufman will replace Nancy Silander on MCCP (Silander has resigned from MCCP).

c. *Water Supply EIE*: Hart provided an update. The EIE was issued; the CT Water option has been identified and endorsed as the preferred alternative by the UCONN Board of Trustees. The Town Council will review the record of decision and governance issues. The CT Water option will be referred to the Planning and Zoning Commission, the Conservation Commission, the Four Corners Sewer and Water Advisory Committee, and the Sustainability Committee for review and comment.

d. *Next Generation Connecticut*: Kirk reported that the University's Master Planner/Chief Architect will provide an update to the Town Council on this issue on September 9<sup>th</sup>.

e. *UCONN Technology Park*: Kirk reported that a DEEP hearing is scheduled to be held on campus, September 10<sup>th</sup>, regarding the permitting for North Hillside Road Extension.

**4. Committee Membership**

Vacancies were reviewed. Silander has resigned from the MCCP; she can move from the citizen/MCCP member slot to another citizen slot that is vacant (should the Committee on Committees recommend her for appointment). Doug Kaufman has replaced Nancy Silander on the MCCP. Armstrong will reach out to Kaufman about the citizen/MCCP slot on Town-Gown. The University needs to update its membership list

on the MOA between the Town and the University; Kirk will provide Hart/Capriola with updates, including student members for the upcoming year.

#### **5. Other Business Announcements**

None.

#### **6. Opportunity for the Public to Address the Committee**

Quentin Kessel, Codfish Falls Road. Mr. Kessel inquired as to UCONN's plans to house students (Next Gen). He also inquired as to whether or not brownfields funding is available to rehab the Depot campus.

Pat Suprenant, Gurlevyville Road. Ms. Suprenant made a number of inquiries regarding the Town's involvement with water supply selection. She also commented on the Town's housing stock and demand.

#### **7. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Maria E. Capriola, M.P.A.  
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